California Tahoe Conservancy Agenda Item 5 February 5, 2015

EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

A. Highlights

DPR Lands Transfer and Management Transition:

The 2012/13 Budget Act contained language directing the California Natural Resources Agency in coordination with the Conservancy and the Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) to enter into an agreement to consolidate and exchange State lands and to share personnel, facilities and other resources for management efficiencies. On March 10, 2014, a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) was signed by these three agencies to satisfy this direction. An Agreement between DPR and the Conservancy regarding Kings Beach State Recreation Area and certain Conservancy-owned properties in Placer County was signed on October 1, 2014 to memorialize management responsibilities and tasks for the two agencies.

On December 3, 2014 the Conservancy and DPR held a Drop-In Open House in Tahoe City to provide information about the Dollar Creek and Rubicon property transfer, which is anticipated to occur in January 2015. The other properties (the California side of Van Sickle and properties adjacent to Washoe Meadows State Park and Emerald Bay State Park) will be transferred at a future date.

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B. Budget

Fiscal Year 2014/15: As reported in September 2014, the State's 2014 Budget Act, passed by the Legislature and signed by the Governor, includes a total of \$3,546,000 appropriated to the Conservancy for capital outlay and local assistance from funding sources dedicated to the Conservancy. This will allow continued implementation of the Environmental Improvement Program (EIP). The Conservancy's baseline support budget totals \$5,508,000 and 39.0 positions.

Fiscal Year 2015/16: On January 9, 2015, Governor Brown announced his proposed Governor's Budget for the 2015-16 fiscal year.

For the Tahoe Conservancy, the proposed 2015-16 fiscal year budget includes:

- \$22,766,000 for capital outlay and local assistance to fund the California Tahoe Conservancy's various programmatic priorities and support the Environmental Improvement Program for the Lake Tahoe Basin, including:
 - o \$1,021,000 in special funds dedicated to the Conservancy;
 - o \$3,695,000 in remaining Proposition 12/40/50/84 bond funds;
 - \$13,950,000 from the Conservancy's allocation under recently approved Proposition 1;
 - o \$600,000 pursuant to Senate Bill 630; and
 - \$3,500,000 in reimbursement authority for the acceptance and use of federal grants
- \$5,889,000 and 39.0 personnel years (PY) for ongoing support, including continuing "baseline" funding from various special funds and revenue sources dedicated to the Conservancy. This includes the addition of \$200,000 in Proposition 1 "program delivery" support funds. The Conservancy will also have authority to access up to \$476,000 in capital outlay funds for staff activities directly related to the implementation of capital outlay projects.

Following release of the proposed 2015-16 budget, staff was informed by the California Natural Resources Agency that, due to revenue shortfalls in the Environmental License Plate Fund, the Conservancy's appropriations to its support budget would be reduced by a total of \$70,000 in the current 2014-15 fiscal year, and by \$250,000 in the upcoming 2015-16 fiscal year. Staff will identify appropriate steps to deal with these reductions.

C. Major Conservancy Projects Recently Completed or In Progress, El Dorado County

1. Public Access and Recreation



Sawmill II Bike Trail and Erosion Control Project:

El Dorado County put this project out to bid in late July and awarded the construction contract in October.

- Location: Phase 2A: Lake Tahoe Blvd. to Echo View Drive, Phase 2B: Echo View Drive to Incline Road
- Description: Class 1 trail connecting Lake Tahoe Blvd. to existing phases of Sawmill Bike Trail to Meyers, and erosion control spot treatments
- Conservancy Funding: \$821,000 planning (Bike trail and erosion control); \$350,000 construction (2B bike trail construction); \$85,000 acquisition (2B bike trail easement acquisitions)
- Total Project Cost: \$2,750,000
- Schedule:
 - o 2011 Phase 2A and Echo View Erosion Control constructed
 - 2014 Phase 2B erosion control improvements constructed
 - o 2015 Anticipated completion of bike trail (2B)
- Lead Agency: El Dorado County
- Partners: Conservancy, TRPA, USFS, Caltrans
- Staff Contact: Mark Sedlock

Lake Tahoe Boulevard Enhancement (Bike Trail):

El Dorado County's construction contractor began work in late August and completed the project in early November.

- Location: west side of Lake Tahoe Boulevard (LTB)
- Description: Class 1 trail from D Street to Sawmill Road along LTB; it
 would then connect with the Sawmill Class 1 Bike Trail which would
 complete the Class 1 bike connection from the Meyers Pat Lowe
 Memorial Bike Path in Meyers into the City limits; Conservancy
 Funding: \$355,000 planning (for Bike Trail, SEZ Enhancement and
 Erosion Control)
- Total Project Cost: \$790,000 (for Bike Trail)
- Schedule:
 - o 2014 Bike trail construction completed
- Lead Agency: El Dorado County
- Partners: Conservancy, USFS, TRPA, Caltrans, California Safe Routes to Schools program
- Staff Contact: Mark Sedlock

2. Soil Erosion Control



Sawmill II Erosion Control, completed initial phase

These projects capture and treat stormwater from public rights-of-way (ROWs), address sediment sources, and improve water quality by reducing the amount of sediment and nutrients delivered to Lake Tahoe.

Lake Tahoe Boulevard Enhancement (Erosion control):

El Dorado County's erosion control and Class 2 bike lanes in a different area of LTB.

- Location: From Sawmill Rd. to Boulder Mountain Rd. along Lake Tahoe Boulevard (LTB)
- Description: Erosion control improvements along LTB, Class 2 bike lanes from Sawmill Rd. to Boulder Mountain Rd. along LTB connecting to existing Class 2 lanes
- Conservancy Funding: \$355,000 planning (same as LTB above),
 \$211,613 erosion control construction
- Total Project Cost: \$400,000 (for Bike lanes, SEZ Enhancement and Erosion Control)
- Schedule:
 - o 2015 Erosion control improvements construction
- Lead Agency: El Dorado County
- Partners: Conservancy, USFS, TRPA, Caltrans
- Staff Contact: Mark Sedlock

Sawmill II Erosion Control:

See above section

County Service Area #5 Erosion Control Project Phase A:

The County's contractor completed construction during fall of 2014.

- Location: Tahoe Cedars Subdivision
- Description: Water quality improvements to stabilize slopes and channels and improve infiltration to address direct discharges of runoff into Lake Tahoe
- Conservancy Funding: \$395,000 construction
- Total Project Cost: \$395,000
- Schedule: 2014 construction completed
- Lead Agency: El Dorado County
- Partners: Conservancy
- Staff Contact: Mark Sedlock

Forest View Water Quality Improvement Project

The County's contractor completed construction during fall of 2014.

- Location: Rubicon Properties Unit 2 subdivision
- Description: Address pressing erosion problems by incorporating existing infrastructure into new infiltration and water quality improvements
- Conservancy Funding: \$400,000 construction
- Total Project Cost: \$405,000
- Schedule: 2014 construction completed
- Lead Agency: El Dorado County
- Partners: Conservancy
- Staff Contact: Mark Sedlock

Golden Bear Erosion Control Project

The County's contractor completed construction during fall of 2014.

- Location: Montgomery Estates Unit 7 subdivision
- Description: Provide infiltration opportunities within the County right-of-way by making use of existing infrastructure and improve the water quality of direct discharges to Trout Creek
- Conservancy Funding: \$ 255,000 construction
- Total Project Cost: \$ 446,000
- Schedule: 2014 construction completed
- Lead Agency: El Dorado County
- Partners: Conservancy, USFS
- Staff Contact: Mark Sedlock

3. Natural Resources



Sunset Stables Reach 5 Construction 2013

These projects restore natural river processes, enhance stream environment zones, improve wildlife habitat and fisheries and improve water quality.

Upper Truckee River Sunset Stables Reach:

Channel construction and vegetation from 2013 appears successful, and USFS restoration crews began the second year of construction in June 2014.

- Location: between Meyers and South Lake Tahoe
- Description: 254 acres, Reach 5: 7,500 feet of channel construction, Reach 6 is on hold
- Conservancy Funding: \$2,479,728 planning; \$0 construction
- Total Project Cost: Reach 5 final design and construction \$5,510,000
- Schedule:
 - o 2013: 3,000 feet of new channel constructed Reach 5
 - 2014: 3,000 feet of new channel construction and related utility line relocation, Reach 5
 - 2015: No construction, new channel vegetation establishes,
 Reach 5
 - 2016: 1,500 feet of new channel construction at tie-in points and river relocation into new channel, Reach 5
- Lead Agencies: USFS, Conservancy
- Partners: US Army Corps of Engineers (Reach 6)
- Staff Contact: Joe Pepi
- Project documents:
 http://www.fs.usda.gov/goto/ltbmu/UpperTruckeeRestoration

Upper Truckee River Golf Course Reach:

On-going litigation continues to keep this project on hold.

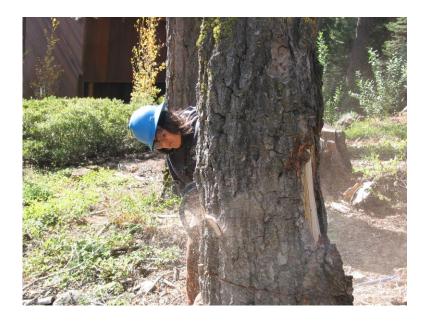
- Location: between Meyers and South Lake Tahoe
- Description: restoration along UTR, includes Conservancy properties slated for transfer to California Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR)
- Conservancy Funding: \$500,000
- Total Project Cost: \$15,000,000
- Schedule:
 - 2012: project and some park unit boundary modifications approved
 - TBD due to on-going litigation
- Lead Agency: DPR
- Partners: Conservancy
- Staff Contact: Joe Pepi
- Project documents: http://www.restoreuppertruckee.net/index.htm

Tahoe Pines Campground Restoration and Access Project:

Staff has completed the preliminary plan stage and received Board authority to move this project forward to final design and construction at the July 2014 meeting.

- Location: confluence of Upper Truckee River and Echo Creek in Meyers
- Description: eight-acre site to restore SEZ and provide appropriate river-oriented access features
- Conservancy Funding: \$125,000 planning; \$650,000 construction
- Total Project Cost: \$975,000
- Schedule: 2016 construction
- California PWB approval anticipated in March
- Lead Agency: Conservancy
- Partners: Caltrans, BOR, DGS
- Staff Contact: Joe Pepi

4. Forest Improvement



The Forest Improvement Program projects are designed to improve habitat, reduce fire threat, and promote natural processes. Staff works with the Lake Valley Fire Protection District (LVFPD) and the Meeks Bay Fire Protection District (MBFPD) to plan and implement the Conservancy's forestry activities in El Dorado County. In 2015, the Conservancy and partners plan to treat 80 acres of forest health/fuels reduction projects on Conservancy parcels in El Dorado County.

D. Major Conservancy Projects Recently Completed or In Progress, Placer County

1. Public Access and Recreation



Homewood Bike Trail, existing conditions

Homewood Bike Trail:

Tahoe City Public Utility District is ready to implement the project as soon as Caltrans completes their Highway 89 Water Quality Project in this area.

- Location: Along State Route 89 in Homewood
- Description: the missing one-mile segment in the west shore bike trail system
- Conservancy Funding: \$325,274 planning; \$500,000 construction
- Total Project Cost: \$1,557,970
- Schedule: 2015/2016 begin construction
- Lead Agency: Tahoe City Public Utility District
- Partners: Conservancy
- Staff Contact: Sue Rae Irelan
- Project documents: http://tahoe.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2014/06/files/ITEM10a HomewoodBikeTrail.pdf

Dollar Creek Shared-Use Trail:

This trail is part of a basin-wide Federal Lands Access Program grant which TTD was awarded that provides funds for its construction.

- Location: Dollar Hill to the end of Fulton Crescent Drive
- Description: 2.2 mile connection extending TCPUD's bike trail network
- Conservancy Funding: \$435,000 planning; \$500,000 acquisition
- Total Project Cost: NA
- Schedule:
 - 2014 NV Energy parcel acquisition is in escrow. 90% design plans completed.
 - o 2015 construction expected
- Lead Agency: Placer County
- Partners: Conservancy, North Lake Tahoe Resort Association, TTD
- Staff Contact: Sue Rae Irelan
- Project documents: http://www.placer.ca.gov/Departments/Works/Projects/DollarCreekB ikeTrail.aspx

Kings Beach Pier Redevelopment:

This project would create an accessible pier that functions in normal water conditions.

- Location: Kings Beach State Recreation Area, Kings Beach
- Description: Redevelop the existing pier with a combination fixed pier/floating pier design, optimize the location relative to on site needs, and extend the length to reach the navigational target at the 6,217-foot contour line.
- Conservancy Funding: \$62,700 for conceptual planning
- Total Project Cost: est. \$250,000 (preliminary planning/ environmental)
- Schedule:
 - 2015 Initiate work on the feasibility study and preliminary design
 - 2015 2017/2018 Preliminary design, environmental analysis, final design and permitting
 - o 2018/2019 Construction
- Lead Agency: CA Department of Parks and Recreation
- Partners: Conservancy, North Lake Tahoe Resort Association
- Staff Contact: Sue Rae Irelan
- Project Documents: Older feasibility reports are being updated.

2. Soil Erosion Control



Brockway Erosion Control Project

These projects address sources of sediment and capture and treat stormwater runoff from public rights-of-way. The projects improve water quality by reducing the amount of sediment and nutrients delivered to Lake Tahoe.

Brockway Erosion Control:

In the summer of 2014, construction began on the final element of the Brockway EC Project, the Boulder Bay LLC basin. During the summer of 2015 Boulder Bay LLC will refine the basin's function and establish vegetation on the freshly graded slopes. The basin will be brought into service when these tasks are complete.

- Location: California side of the Brockway watershed, although the greater watershed also includes Nevada
- Description: SEZ restoration, paving of unpaved roads, and installment of conveyance infrastructure and new infiltration facilities to reduce the volume of co-mingled flows originating from the Stateline casino corridor and surrounding residential areas
- Conservancy Funding: \$670,000 planning, \$652,497 construction, \$683,940 acquisition
- Total Project Cost: \$4,044,200
- Schedule:
 - o 2012 Construction
 - o 2013 Revegetation
 - 2013/14 Monitoring
- Lead Agency: Placer County

- Partners: Conservancy, USFS, State of Nevada, TRPA, MTPUD, Boulder Bay LLC
- Staff Contact: Scott Cecchi
- Project documents: http://tahoe.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2014/06/files/ITEM7A_BrockwayECPSiteImprvmtGrantAugmt.pdf

Kings Beach Commercial Core and Watershed Improvement Projects:

Placer County made substantial progress on the Commercial Core project. Current activities include utility relocations, monitoring and maintenance. Construction of improvements will resume in the spring of 2015. On July 3, 2014, staff discovered an underground stormwater outfall pipe had been installed without authorization at the Conservancy's Secline Beach property. Resolution of the trespass will be addressed at a future Board meeting.

- Location: central Kings Beach
- Description: full streetscape improvements from Secline to Minnow, Class II bikeways from State Route 267 to Chipmunk, water quality improvements throughout the watershed
- Conservancy Funding: \$600,000 to plan the Commercial Core Improvement Project (CCIP) and \$1,123,000 for planning and acquisition grants for the Watershed Improvement Project (WIP)
- Total Project Cost: over \$45 million
- Schedule:
 - o 2010 Fox Clean Water Pipe completed
 - o 2014 Construction of the CCIP
 - 2015 Completion of the CCIP, Coon Clean Water Outfall
- Lead Agency: Placer County
- Partners: Conservancy, Caltrans, TRPA, USFS, NTBA, NLTRA, DPR, HCD, FHWA, SWRCB
- Staff Contacts: Scott Cecchi, Lisa O'Daly
- Project documents: http://www.placer.ca.gov/~/media/dpw/ProjectsKingsBeach/documents/KbEIRappB.ashx

Lake Forest Erosion Control:

Placer County completed construction of the final phase of the Area B project (Panorama) in fall 2014.

- Location: Lake Forest Subdivision, Placer County
- Description: Large multi-phase project to address direct discharges into Lake Tahoe that includes water quality improvements, SEZ restoration, and creek restoration
- Conservancy Funding: \$2,218,000 planning, \$3,823,976 construction, \$250,000 acquisition
- Total Project Cost: \$10,797,976
- Schedule:
 - o 2008 Area A Construction
 - o 2009/2010 Area B Meadow Construction
 - o 2012 Area B Highlands Construction
 - o 2014 Area B Panorama Construction
- Lead Agency: Placer County
- Partners: Conservancy, SWRCB, USACE, BOR, TRPA
- Staff Contacts: Scott Cecchi, Scott Carroll
- Project documents: http://tahoe.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2014/06/files/Item9c LAKEFOREST.pdf

3. Natural Resources





Lower Blackwood Creek Restoration:

The Eagle Rock trails continue to be a favorite destination for Lake Tahoe visitors for their mountain and lake vistas. Post-project monitoring of the Lower Blackwood Creek Restoration project indicates very successful reestablishment of vegetation and visual sightings of fish populations, and the Project was named a TRPA Best in the Basin award winner.

- Location: west shore, five miles south of Tahoe City
- Description: enhanced water quality and aquatic and riparian habitat conditions along Blackwood Creek and the realignment of popular, but eroding, trails accessing Eagle Rock
- Conservancy Funding authorized: \$4,229,000
- US Army Corps of Engineers reimbursements: \$3,175,000
- Schedule:
 - o 2011 Construction of first phase of Eagle Rock trail
 - o 2012 Construction of stream improvements
 - 2013/2014 Final site restoration, irrigation and plant establishment activities; monitoring; construction of second phase of Eagle Rock Trail
 - o 2015 Monitoring
- Lead Agency: Conservancy
- Partners: USACE, DGS, Tahoe Fund, California Conservation Corps
- Staff Contact: Stuart Roll
- Project documents: http://tahoe.ca.gov/ctc projects/lowerblackwood-creek-restoration-69/

Alpine Meadows Lease:

Following the July 17, 2014 Board meeting, Alpine Meadows was granted a one year extension to the October 15, 2014 deadline for Best Management Practices (BMPs) installation on the Sherwood Ski Lift access road across Conservancy land.

- Location: Alpine Meadows Ski Resort
- Description: installation of BMPs in areas addressed by the lease between Alpine Meadows and the Conservancy
- Conservancy Funding: none
- Schedule:
 - \circ 2012 emergency repairs necessitated by a landslide
 - o 2013 Construction of first phase of road BMPs
 - o 2014 Monitoring of phase 1 road BMPs
 - o 2015 Construction of final phase of road BMPs

Lead Agency: Alpine Sierra Ventures, LLC

• Partners: Conservancy

• Staff Contacts: Shawn Butler, Scott Cecchi

4. Forest Improvement





Staff worked with the North Tahoe Fire Protection District (NTFPD) to plan and implement the Conservancy's forestry activities in Placer County. In 2015, the Conservancy and partners plan to treat 50 acres of forest health/fuels reduction projects on Conservancy parcels in Placer County.

Depending upon the outcome of a Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) grant proposal submitted by NTFPD in collaboration with the Conservancy, the agencies may implement the first year of urban lot fuel treatment of approximately 100 acres in 2016.

E. Major Conservancy Projects Recently Completed or In Progress, **City of South Lake Tahoe**

1. Public Access and Recreation



Live at Lakeview Concert, 2013

El Dorado Beach to Ski Run Boulevard Bike Trail and Lake Access **Enhancement:**

The City continues to acquire the necessary easements associated with 12 separate parcels for project implementation; three of these parcels are publically owned, including two Conservancy properties. Portions of the trail also reside within the U.S. 50 rights-of-way.

- Location: South Lake Tahoe along U.S. Highway 50
- Description: A three-quarter mile trail that will bridge the gap that extends from El Dorado Beach to Ski Run Boulevard
- Conservancy Funding: \$645,000 planning
- Total Project Cost: \$2,000,000
- Schedule:
 - o 2015: Anticipated construction, pending easement attainment
- Lead Agency: City of South Lake Tahoe
- Partners: Conservancy, Caltrans
- Staff Contact: Lisa O'Daly

South Tahoe Greenway Shared Use Trail:

The Conservancy and Tahoe Transportation District were not successful in the joint grant application for the Active Transportation Program. Reviewer comments indicated that a smaller, less complex application could be successful in the future.

- Location: between the Sierra Tract neighborhood and Van Sickle Bi-State Park
- Description: 3.86-mile trail to provide the backbone of the bicycle network in the core of South Lake Tahoe; initial construction of Phase 1a, Glenwood Way to Herbert Ave., is 0.47 miles
- Conservancy Funding authorized: preliminary planning \$585,060; Phase 1a final design and construction \$881,000; final design, construction and acquisition for the remainder of Phase 1 and Phase 2 \$1,106,900.
- Total Project Cost: estimated \$12-15 million to complete the entire project
- Schedule:
 - o 2014 Final design Phase 1a
 - Four bids received for Phase 1a construction with two bids at or under the engineer's estimate. DGS now negotiating with low bidder to allow construction to start in Spring 2015.
 - o 2015 Construction Phase 1a
 - New ATP grant request
 - 2016 Final design of next construction phase, if new ATP grant is successful
 - o 2018/2019 Potential construction of ATP funded project
- Lead Agency: Conservancy
- Partners: Tahoe Transportation District, USFS, CSLT
- Staff Contact: Sue Rae Irelan
- Project documents: http://tahoe.ca.gov/ctc projects/south-tahoe-greenway-79/

2. Soil Erosion Control



Sierra Tract stormwater runoff (pre-project)

These projects improve water quality by addressing sources of sediment and stormwater runoff from public rights-of-way (ROWs) and by reducing the amount of sediment and nutrients delivered to Lake Tahoe.

Sierra Tract Erosion Control:

The City successfully competed for \$2.8 million in grant funds from the Stormwater Grants Program administered by SWRCB.

- Location: Sierra Tract neighborhood in South Lake Tahoe
- Description: address stormwater runoff pollutants that discharge directly into the Upper Truckee River using improvements such as infiltration galleries
- Conservancy Funding: \$4,929,497 (all phases)
- Total Project Cost: estimated \$3 million to complete
- Schedule:
 - o 2000-2013 Phase 1A, 1B, and Phase 2 completed
 - 2014 Grants funded for Phase 3/4, Final design
 - 2015 Anticipated construction of Phase 3/4
- Lead Agency: City of South Lake Tahoe
- Partners: Conservancy, SWRCB, USFS
- Staff Contact: Joe Pepi
- Project documents: www.cityofslt.us/documentcenter/view/3204

Bijou Area Erosion Control:

Construction completed during fall of 2014. Several private landowners contributed to the advanced water quality treatment system in return for BMP certification.

- Location: Bijou neighborhood, South Lake Tahoe
- Description: addresses the highest priority water quality problems in the Bijou Creek watershed by developing advanced treatment in the commercial core and by pursuing cooperative cost sharing between public and private contributors
- Conservancy Funding: \$2,288,526
- Total Project Cost: \$17,000,000
- Schedule:
 - o 2013 Phase I construction began
 - o 2014 Phase 1 construction completed
- Lead Agency: City of South Lake Tahoe
- Partners: Conservancy, USFS, Caltrans, DWR, SWRCB, TRPA, private property owners
- Staff Contact: Stuart Roll

3. Natural Resources





Upper Truckee Marsh Restoration:

The Final EIR/EIS/EIS is being developed with the staff recommended alternative presented at the September Board meeting.

- Location: mouth of the Upper Truckee River on the south end of Lake Tahoe primarily on Conservancy-owned lands
- Description: 600 acre river and marsh restoration project, including the Lower West Side Project
- Conservancy Funding authorized to date: \$3,700,000 planning;
 \$10,500,000 construction (Phase 1)
- Total Project Cost: estimated \$7 17 million additional to complete the project depending on final alternative
- Schedule:
 - o 2001/2002 Lower West Side project constructed
 - o 2013 Draft EIR/EIS/EIS released for public comment
 - 2014 Preferred alternative presented to Board for discussion
 - 2015 Anticipated Final EIR/EIS/EIS certification
- Lead Agency: Conservancy
- Partners: DGS, BOR, SWRCB
- Staff Contact: Scott Carroll
- Project documents: http://tahoe.ca.gov/ctc_projects/upper-truckee-marsh-69/

4. Forest Improvement

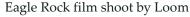
CCC crews use a rope to help fall a tree



The Forest Improvement Program focuses on restoring forested habitats on Conservancy-owned property. Staff worked with the City of South Lake Tahoe Fire Department (SLTFD) and the Lake Valley Fire Protection District (LVFPD) to secure funding through the BLM Southern Nevada Public Lands Management Act (SNPLMA) grants to plan and implement forest health/fuels reduction projects on 30 acres at the City of South Lake Tahoe (Airport) parcels. The implementation is anticipated to take two years.

F. Urban Land Management Program

1. Special Use Requests





Pursuant to Board authority dated January 20, 2011, staff is authorized to enter into license agreements consisting of three years or less provided the Board is notified. Staff is providing notice of six recent licenses as described below:

- a. Very short-term (one-day) license granted to Comstock Seed executed on August 15, 2014. Comstock Seed collected native seed in the Upper Truckee River Reach 6 area to fulfill revegetation requirements related to the Echo Summit Cal Trans project. The fee for this license was waived in lieu of future purchase discounts to the Conservancy. Evidence of insurance listing the Conservancy as additional insured was provided.
- b. Very short-term (one-day) license granted to the Tahoe Transportation District (TTD) executed on September 1, 2014. TTD conducted noise monitoring surveys related to the Highway 50/South Shore Revitalization Project. The license fee for this activity was waived. Evidence of insurance listing the Conservancy as additional insured was provided.
- c. Short-term (one-year) license granted to California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) executed on September 2, 2014. Caltrans will construct improvements to the State Route Highway 89 Bike Trail in the

- Chambers Landing area. The fee for this license was waived. Evidence of insurance listing the Conservancy as additional insured was not required.
- d. Short-term (one-year) license granted to Tahoe City Public Utility District (TCPUD) executed on September 15, 2014. TCPUD will be conducting environmental studies related to the West Lake Tahoe Regional Water Treatment Plant at Chambers Landing. The fee for this license was \$9,000. Evidence of insurance listing the Conservancy as additional insured was provided.
- e. Short-term (two-month) license granted to the Sugar Pine Foundation (SPF) executed on September 19, 2014. SPF will plant native conifer trees on several Conservancy parcels in the South Lake Tahoe, McKinney Chamberlands, Tahoe City, and Snow Creek areas. The license fee for this activity was waived. Evidence of insurance listing the Conservancy as additional insured was not required.
- f. Short-term (three-year) license granted to John Hammaker executed on September 26, 2014. Mr. Hammaker shall have access to remove and return his boat up to two times per calendar year. The fee for this license was \$75. Evidence of insurance listing the Conservancy as additional insured was not required.

2. Upper Truckee Marsh and Van Sickle Bi-State Park

Van Sickle Vista



The seasonal Upper Truckee Marsh dog closure was in effect May 1 – July 31, 2014. The Conservancy-owned Cove East property, west of the river, remains open for year-round, leashed dog access. The El Dorado County Sheriff's Office is currently under contract to enforce ordinances on the marsh property, as well as at Van Sickle Bi-State Park (Van Sickle).

Van Sickle gates closed for the season on October 31, 2014. More information about Van Sickle is available at: http://tahoe.ca.gov/ctc_projects/van-sickle-bi-state-park-79/